

**Computer Graphic Design II, Art 210**  
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FAC 017

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**General Description:**

*Continued exploration of using the computer as a graphic design tool. Development of expertise in graphic design support software.*

This class consists of weekly projects designed to further your technical and aesthetic skills in design. On the design side, there are projects which take up where Communication Design left off. You are expected to do a higher level of work on these projects than those in Communication Design.

On the technical side, there are projects which take up where Computer Graphic Design left off. These are generally more difficult than in the former class, and you are expected to do the bulk of the investigation into the programs we are learning about on your own.

Some example of past student work from this course can be found at <http://faculty.wartburg.edu/payne>. Since this class is being taught differently than in the past you should only use these examples as reference, not as guides to doing the projects.

**Equipment and Labs:**

Your primary computers for this course are located in the Graphics Lab or Art Lab. You may also use the computers in the Jlab when needed if they have the application you need to use. Some assignments require applications which are not on all computers (see additional sheet).

**Text:**

There is no required text, but there are several optional texts. If you are a Communication Design Major or Minor you should consider these texts required, and you should take full advantage of them on your own as they will help you in this course, but are not dealt with directly:

*Megg's History of Graphic Design*, Philip Meggs  
*Invisioning Information*, Edward Tufte  
*The Elements of Typographic Style*, Robert Bringhurst

**Projects and Grades:**

There are fourteen projects (see tentative schedule), and each is worth 100 points. All grades averaged together will determine your final grade. If you do not have a workable draft of your assignment done by the assigned time your project grade will be docked 10% after the first time. Plan ahead.

**Presentations:**

Each Wednesday you will present your weekly project to the rest of the class. You don't want to necessarily *sell* your project, but you do want to present it in the most favorable way. More about that later.